WILL THE ZULUS FIGHT THE BRITISH?

Possible Complication In the South African

Bloodiest and Most Successful of Black

Should the Zulus seize the opportunity offered by the Transvaal war to strike for freedom, says the New York Herald, England would have her hands full. Should the bold Basutos join arms with their fierce consins South Africa would become hot soil for the British foot for many long months to come.

Both of these uprisings are threatened; both are greatly feared. The Zulu situation in particular is watched with anx- en to avail of England's troubles to reious eye. England for awhile was over-matched in the last Zulu war, and victory was bought in the end with rivers of English blood. Scarcely any greater misfortune could come just now than an up-

rising such as this.

The Zulu is undoubtedly the best native fighter of South Africa. He is physically a splendid savage, fierce, powerful splendid marksmen. They dream of re and enduring. Add to this the memory of storing the splendors of their past and a magnificent past, the traditions and if they rise, can be counted a terrible courage of a race unwhipped except by white men and by them only at fearful odds, and you have a worthy foeman.



The Zulus yielded to the sway of England through force indeed, but the fight they made then was one to keep alive the hope of a better ending for renewed

in organization and, second, in the tradi-tion of victory. Organization under the great chieftain Tshaka at the beginning of the present century gave them their first superiority over other savage tribes, and an unending series of victories for half a century or more produced a race of rare courage and warlike prowess. The story of it describes the Zulu of today. What is now known as Zululand, a

the Transvaal, on the south and west by Natal and on the east by the sea, was then divided among several savage tribes, of which the Zulus were one of the weakest. The chief of a neighboring tribe, the Umtetwas, plotted the murder of his two sons, one of whom, however, escaped and in his wanderings fell in with the British, the organization of whose forces he noted with shrewd understanding. After his father's death he returned to his tribe, was made chief and proceeded to organize his warriors into brigades, regiments and companies, British fashion, and had remarkable success in warfare.

One of his lieutenants was a youth of fierce and restless energy. He was the son of a conquered chieftain, and his name was Tshaka. He studied the organization of the Umtetwa army zealously and saw in it wonderful things not ac complished by his wise but mild chieftain. He made up his mind that some day his own chance would come. Winning consideration, Tshaka was

finally, as a reward, appointed chief of the weak tribe of Zulus. He organized them perfectly, and when the chief of the Umtetwas was killed in battle Tshaka announced the independence of the Zulus and upheld it by force. done, Tshaka started in to make

the Zulu power supreme. He attacked his weaker neighbors and with every vic tory absorbed the young warriors into his own army and destroyed the old men, women and children. In this way own army grew marvelously, and his conquered neighbors lost recuperative power and eventually identity. He divided his young warriors into reg-

iments, distinguishing each regiment by different colored shields, and established for her adventure, and the manner in which she met and overcame her red for three. Once there was one ex-presiment by which she met and overcame her red for three densities of the manner of the colored shields. regiments. He trained them to advance demonstrated thoroughly the intrepid and attack in solid formation, something spirit that runs in the family. new in South African savage warfare, e developed the close quarters attack with the short stabbing assagai or reared, the charming little lady found fire spear so generally used among South Affighting an extremely novel and altogeth-

Then he established an inviolate law that any soldier returning from battle A STUDY IN EX-PRESIDENTS, without assagai or shield or with a wound in the back should be executed as coward. By another law young soidiers were forbidden wives until after long service unless meantime they earned them by distinguished bravery in the

Absolute discipline was inculcated. An I expedition never knew its destination and term, 1801, there was no ex-president purpose until far from home. In attack- living, Washington having died in Dethe first onslaught was always in cember, 1799. solid formation, supported on either side by wings of skirmishers. Flank move- Adams was the ex-president. Both died effective in savage as in civilized war-

It can easily be seen how the Zulus unistrations of Madison and Monroe and der such a system swept all before them. a part of the administration of J. Q. The undisciplined savages of the plains Adams. the reaper, and every new tribe subju-three ex-presidents were Adams, Jeffergated was ruthlessly amalgamated into son and Madison.

the victorious pation. The Zulus swept the coast, subjugated Natal and pushed their fierce, bloody sway far inland. The terror of their ne passed far north and far south. Nor was there limit to their ravages un-

til the Dutch settled in Natal. Then began a series of fierce fights in which the white man and the rifle finally triumphed and the Zulu power was broken or at least reduced to the point of noninterference with the movements of the Dutch and the English, who soon after swarmed

But while taught to respect the white

************** man the Zulu nursed his traditions, his pride and his ferocity. It was a disgrace in his eyes to labor except in the prosecu-tion of war. Under Cetewayo, the great chief whose power England broke in a war in which she met several terrible reverses and lost hosts of splendid men, the Zulu was at heart the Zulu of the great

And this is the people who now threatgain their freedom. They are the same in spirit and are rich in resentment. For years they have nursed their wrongs. What they have lost in savage fierceness they have nursed their wrongs. by a generation of peaceful subjection is more than matched, say recent writers, by their gains in knowledge. They still retain their terrible stabbing assagai, but they have added the rifle and are

Zululand today has a population of about 180,000 natives and less than 1,500 whites. The only occupation of the natives is the raising of cattle. There are 8.900 square miles in the district, and the government is a British protectorate. The Basutos, while by no means the peers in war of the Zulus, occupy a trong position. Basutoland is bounded by Cape Colony, the Orange Free State and Natel. They have discouraged the white man, and there are only 600 Enropeans in their entire territory.

The country is a splendid grain producer, and the Busutos are thrifty and rich. There are wild mountain districts to serve in time of need.

They were once a warlike power of some consequence, and in 1879 they stood off England in a war over disarmament to a compromise by which the Cape government has since paid them \$90,000 a year toward the cost of government. They are in large measure self governing, of course under British dictation, and enjoy a considerable measure of civilization. About 50,000 out of a population of 220,000 have been converted to

FIERCE FIRE FIGHTING.

Plucky California Heroine Saved Her Home.

Mill valley has the fire fighting beroine of California, says the San Francisco Examiner. She fought the forest fires old Tamalpais when not a man would remain to do the flames battle. Her home was in the path of destruction. For hours only this fair, slim girl stood between the home and the approaching fringe of sputtering, smoking red. She went out alone to meet the enemy

and beat it back. Men passed her by, unheeding her calls for assistance. It was a fight to a finish between the woman and the fire, with a pretty houseful of furniture and family valuables as the The woman won. Some men finally

came to strike the finishing blows, but it and Polk were living, although Polk was the woman's victory. The fire fighting heroine is a sister of Summer and Sam Hardy, California's



MRS. WHITE FIGHTING THE FLAMES crack tennis champions. Coming from family already distinguished for deeds of The Miss Hardy that was is now Mrs.

George White. City bred and daintily er terrible experience.

Four Were Living at Three Different

Times In History. Two ex-presidents of the United States are living, Cleveland and Harri-

Before the expiration of John Adams

During Jefferson's administration were a regular maneuver and as on the same day, July 4, 1826. Both were ex-presidents during the admin-

When Monroe was president, the

J. Q. Adams became president in 1825. At that time Adams, Jefferson, Madison and Monroe were living. But before the expiration of J. Q. Adams' term, 1829, only Madison and Monroe were living.

During Jackson's first administration, Madison, Monroe and J. Q. Adams were the living ex-presidents. Before the expiration of Jackson's second administration only J. Q. Adams remained as former president.

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Q. Adams and Jackson were the living ex-presidents.

During William Henry Harrison's term of one month J. Q. Adams, Jackson and Van Buren were the flying ex-

John Tyler as vice president succeeded Harrison and was in office from 1841 to 1845. The ex-presidents living during his term were J. Q. Adams, Jackson and Van Buren. While Polk was president the fiving many disappointments, together with the fact that he had not yet had his dinner,

ex-presidents were J. Q. Adams, Jack- poor John knew not what to do with himson. Van Buren and Tyler. But before the expiration of Polk's term Van Buren and Tyler only remained. Taylor's term lasted less than live months. In that time Van Buren, Tyler

died 25 days before Taylor, thereby leaving Van Buren and Tyler living expresidents. When Fillmore was president, Van Buren and Tyler were still living. With Pierce as president, there were

three living ex-presidents-Van Buren, Tyler and Fillmore. When Buchanan was president, Van

were living. During Lincoln's term of office Fill-

In the administration of Johnson. Buchanan died, leaving Filimore and

was no living ex-president. Grant was the only living ex-presi- these trials. dent while Hayes was at the White House.

During Garfield's short term Grant and Hayes were living. Grant and Hayes were still living. At | boast again!"

living. During Cleveland's first term Grant. Hayes and Arthur were living. Before ments his Ella, for it was she, stood bethe expiration of that term only Hayes fore him. remained.

With Benjamin Harrison as presi dent, Hayes and Cleveland were living, but before the expiration of Harrison's term only Cleveland remained as a living ex-president.

in Cleveland's second term there was but one ex-president living. Har-During McKinley's term the two liv-

ing ex-presidents are Cleveland and Harrison. Three times in the history of the

country have four ex-presidents been his predecessor, twice none. New York Sun.

A Personal Impression. "Of course," said Senator Sorghum, "Dewey is a remarkable man, but"-"You are not going to qualify your

praise! "Well, I admire his courage and all that, but I must say that when a man with his opportunities stands up and refuses to run for office it sets a mighty bad precedent."-Washington-

innumments. Does Coffee You?

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CUREP. Dear me, wife, not done yet? Why,

here it is supper time, and you are still in our morning wrapper," said Mr. Williams as he came home from his work and found his wife still en deshabille. "Yes, but do you not know that 'wom-an's work is never done? There is the "Yes, Ella, but do you not know that

all women have so much to de. If you would only hurry the least little bit, you would accomplish all the work in a much shorter time. I could do it all in one naif the time. "Oh, John!"

"Well, you just go off somewhere and see if you don't find things in 'apple pie order' when you come back." Thus ended the evening chat. The Tuesday following she received a

Dear Ella-Come immediately. I am very ill.

When John returned from his work and had read the note, he said: "Go, by all means. I will attend to the housekeeping," added he, with a confident sir-"John, I shall be obliged to leave the baby at home. In case I should not be at home again tomorrow will you see that he is fed?"

"Of course. Do you think I would starve him?" The next morning, while Mrs. W. was on her way to her mother's house, John was at home, introduced into the mysteies of the kitchen.

About dinner time he went down into he cellar and soon returned with a large bowl of sweet cream. After placing this on the table he put on his hat and coat and sauntered down to the butcher's after a steak for dinner. In going out he forgot to shut the door

after him, and on his return home he found five cats lapping the cream he had left on the table. 'Well," said he, "I shall say nothing of this to Elia, but I'll broil the steak, and that will quite make up for the loss of

He then sed one of Ella's aprons around him, as he had seen Ella do when she was about to engage in some such kind of work; put the steak into a frying pan and covered it over with a pot lid. illy expecting to find the steak nicely done when he should again raise the lid. Alas, however, the steak was burned to

"That is strange," said John. "Ella's roiled steak never resembled this cer-By this time he was quite hungry. He

was not quite so boastful as he had been that morning. "There is, at least, one thing I'll have for dinner. I'll warm up the potatoes

that are left over from yesterday's din

So John put a large lump of lard in the frying pan and soon after the potatoes. The potatoes were soon warm, but as he sat down to eat them he was surprised at their greasy appearance, as well as at the amount of lard left in the pan. How many times he had wished Ella back again that day. In thinking of his

The ringing of the doorbell aroused him, and he, forgetting his ridiculous appearance, rushed to the door. "I have come to call on Mrs. Williams," said the lady who rang the bell. "Mrs. Williams is not in at present.

"Then I should like to see Mr. Williams if he is in.' "You?" said the lady, trying in vain to

keep from laughing. Then poor John, suddenly recollecting his ridiculous appearance, felt ready to die of shame. There was no help for it. bowever. He invited the lady into the lose front parlor, in which the fumes of Buren, Tyler, Fillmore and Pierce the burned steak and hot fat were still Scarce knowing what he was doing, he

more, Pierce and Buchanan were liv- led her to the sofa, and she sat down, not upon it, but into the pan containing John started back, not knowing what

During Grant's first term Fillmore began to cry, and John, now terrified beand Johnson were living. Before the youd everything, rushed into the other expiration of his second term there room, mentally resolving that if Ella did not come soon he would put an end to

The lady in the front room kept very quiet. She thought she heard some one crying. She listened. It was John. He was talking to himself. He said, "Oh, In the administration of Arthur, forgive me, and you shall never hear me the time of Arthur's death Haves was

Then the old lady in the front room slipped off her wig, her old black veil and her dress, and in a very few mo "Ob, Ella, forgive me!" were his first

vords on recovering from his surprise. She forgave him, then told him how she had planned all to cure him of house-"You have done so, darling," said he. Yew York News.

An Extra Fight on the Field.

It was at the time of the Zulu war.

Buller's troops, which had been skirmishing to the front, were suddenly taken to he rear by their commander for reasons that were of course cogent. A war cor respondent who was out with the fightng lines was dissatisfied and expresses his contempt for the leader, who had thought the movement necessary. Bill Beresford (Lord William), who was on Buller's staff at the time, overheard and took the grumbler up sharp, declaring that he would not allow his chief to be abused. The correspondent was not to be put down and repeated his aspersions "You must take it all back or fight me," "Come on, then!" sturdity cried the other, and both jumped off their horses and fell to fisticuffs then and there alone heir own people fast disappearing over the veldt and the Zulus coming on hand ver hand. It was not till Buller missed is aid-de-camp and hearing of the mine encounter in progress that he sent back in escort to bring the two combatants in. The story is a strange one and by no neans discreditable to either soldier or newspaper man.-London Today

CURIOUS TIMEPIECES. A Clock Which Refuses to Work or Sundays. A watch the size of a dime, made en-

tirely by the exhibitor, is mounted as a scarfpin, with a silver dime similarly mounted on either side. They are backed by a plate mirror in which may be seen the working of the watch. Above the exhibit bangs an ordinary

looking office clock, which refuses to work on Sundays and is therefore called a Sabbath clock. Mr. Redepenning added an attachment to a Waterbury movement, causing the clock to rest one day in seven. It is an eight day movement. At 12 midnight each Saturday the clock stops and after a rest of 24 hours again starts up of its own accord. During the exhibit the clock was adjusted to stop every other When Van Buren was president, J. | Secretary of he as day at noon, thus running 24 hours and

The first critical period in a woman's life comes at the passing of her girlhood. How to preserve the daughter's health at this crisis is the problem that confronts every mother of girls. Mrs. J. M. Riggs, of Carterville, Mo., solved the problem. She says:

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"She took three bottles of the pills and to-day there is not a healthier, more robust looking girl in Carterville. She is fleshier and healthier than ever before in her life." Mrs. J. M. Riggs.

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Dr. Williams' Pink Pitts for Pale People contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such discusses as locomotor ataxis, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia rheumatism, nervous headache, the after-effects of learning mahirition of the heart rale and In grippe, pulpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexions, all forms of weakness either in male or female.

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stopping 24 hours alternately during church, wondering what a "hairus" the exhibit without any attention. In the Black forest of Germany boys see one. The sentence was, of course, have been born, grown up, married, the Buckinghamshire rendering of it will probably be only 25 per cent had children of their own, become | "We beseech thee to hear us, good

grandfathers and died, and the only Lord." occupation they or their descendants knew was that of clockmaking, and of might be 7, were asked to write the this the family knew only one part. Lord's Prayer from memory. Five of Mayhap they were carvers and knew the eight wrote, "Lead us not in tutem only the making of rabbit or quall or tation." deer's head. Thus it is unexpected when one sees something new in class to the seaside. It was a new cuckoo clock architecture. In the ex- experience for one scholar, who exhibit made by George Kuehl such a claimed, "Teacher, there's the sea, but departure was made in a pair of pheas- where's all the tinimies?" ("The sea

auts, life size and finely executed, and all that in them is.")-London Snow hens, winter birds in the Black Academy forest, were shown, also numerous trophies of the hunt. The most interesting clock in the exhibit had perforated silver dials underlaid with gold, and the panels were of the same metals. It is an hour strike, with large

How

Mother

Saved

Her

Daughter

and it must have been an inspired arrangement of the reeds that could produce such wonderful melody as the songster poured forth. Above this hung a big quail and enckoo clock three feet square, with mosic box attachment. In the exhibit were 22 clocks, all varying music. Some are quails, some cuckoos, some quall and cuckoo, some cuckoo and music. A novelty was shown in a small clock with three soldiers, a Prussian, an Austrian and a Kamerun, marching back and forth on their military beats at the top of the

clock.-Jewelers' Circular. A Cave of Honey.

A natural cave of honey is the latest addition to the riches of Colonel Moses | illusion of pulsation on both sides of C. Wetmore, the millionaire St. Louis politician, whose immense tobacco interests were recently absorbed by the

This cavern of honey has just been discovered on Colonel Wetmore's 7,000 acre game preserve in the wilds of Taney county, 60 miles south of St. Louis. It is a large cave hidden from view in one of the most isolated spots of the Ozark mountain region. The bees have probably had undisputed possession of the cave for many years, for it appears to be literally filled with honey, just like a hive in a well kept aplary. How far into the side of the mountain this cave extends is an unsettled question. The mouth of the cave is about six feet in diameter, and it presents a solid front of honeycomb. If this cave is like the average Ozark mountain cavern it is all the way from one to two miles in length, and if the honey is built in solidly from end to end there are tons of it. The bees may have only woven a web of honey at the front, or they may have filled the entire space. This is a question that will soon be determined, for Major McCann expects to employ experienced beekeepers and have a thorough exploration made.-Chicago Rec

Misconceptions. May I add one more example to the astonishing list of childish misconceptions? It was in the days when the litany formed an inevitable part of the morning service, and a little boy of to hear, in response to an unintelligidid he cast about the little country

might be and why he could not also

Eight pupils, whose average age

A friend took her Sunday school

Bicycles For the Tombstone. A young Rio widow was introduced to her late husband while out wheeling, and therefore when death put an end to her marriage she thought it sultable to introduce the cycle in her husband's memorial. She according-Standing in an open cupola at the top ly desired the sculptor to depict her is a Harz mountain canary warbler, first meeting with her husband, bicycles and all, and herself in "rational" dress in alto relievo on the marble gravestone. The effect is said not to be artistic.-Undertakers' Review

> HIS GREAT BIG HEART. it Causes a Pulsation on Both Sides

of His Chest. "I see by one of the New York papers," said an old resident, "that a col- | formidable as a mere perusal of the ored man named King walked luto awful menaces of the statutes at firs Bellevue hospital the other day and insisted that he had two hearts. The doctors said that the organ was merely enlarged-'hypertrophied,' they called fense, even when caught redhanded. it-and its abnormal size created the

the body. prised. I dare say, to learn that he is is, St. Petersburg is especially signifistill alive. The old man used to live cant, the official is "good natured" in here, and, if L am not mistaken, he the extreme, and a substitute can al was born on a plantation near Baton Rouge. He must be close to 80 at present, for it was all of 30 years ago that he first attracted attention in the city over the Chinese frontier-that is as a freak, and he was then past middle age. He called himself the man sole defense of the frontier against with two hearts,' and his case excited considerable interest among local phy- a ready sale at ruinous sacrifices in exsicians.

"I remember seeing him examined and was at once impressed by his extraordinary muscular development. His limbs were like iron to the touch, and I doubt if there was ever a prizefighter who could exhibit more formidable biceps and shoulders. The apparent double beat of the heart was not only perfeetly plain to the touch, but a throbbing pulsation could be easily seen on each side of his chest.

"What seemed to me still more remarkable was the way he could harden the muscles above his abdomen and make them resemble an extra set of ribs. He could do this at will, and the effect was astonishing. No two of the doctors agreed as to the exact cause of the double heart beat, but they assured him that he would be a very interesting subject for an autopsy and were so earnest and eager about it that they scared the old man nearly to death.

"King was at that time an itinerant preacher, and he used to exhibit himmy acquaintance, unable to read, used self from the pulpit as an evidence that man was fearfully and wonderfully ble drone from the officiating clergy- made. Eventually he drifted north, man, the oft repeated and awe inspir- and about a dozen years ago I read ing statement, "We see-such a hairus that he had been before a clinic in -good Lord!" Many a scared glance Philadelphia. Whether he possesses

have a double lease on life."-New Orleans Times-Democrat. OUR BIRTH RATE.

Statistics Said to Prove That It Is Decreasing.

In a recent editorial in one of our

one beart or two he certainly seems to

daily papers a writer endeavors to prove that the birth rate in the United States is gradually decreasing. This statement is backed up by the statisties as obtained from the records of H. T. Newcomb, statistician in the agricultural department at Washington. First of all, it is believed that the population of the United States-not neluding colonies in the year 1900 will be 74,480,860, based on the different state censuses. The increase for the past decade has been 18.94 per cent which is below that of any pr vious decade. If the population has increased in the past decade in the same ratio as formerly, the population in 1900 would be 77,680,000. Yet it is seen that the population will fall short of this number 4,200,000. Of this loss t is estimated that 1,622,480 may b allowed for decrease of immigratio and to children which might be born

However, there remains a loss from 2,000,000 to 2,500,000 in the pop lation if the increase in population in the same ratio as in that period from 1880 to 1890. This loss of 2,000,000 t 2,500,000 is believed to be due to a de reased birth rate in both the negroes and whites. The writer states that it 1890 there were 1,800,000 less children under the age of 10 years than were expected, judging from the statistics of 1880, and, it is believed, that this decrease will show even greater loss. This decennial loss has gone on for th past 100 years.

It is claimed that whereas the native white population a century ago was 35.10 per cent from 1790 to 1800, from 1890 to 1900 Mr. Newcomb claims that Statistics' show that increase for ou total population was 30.08 per cent from 1870 to 1880, 24 per cent from 1880 to 1890, while it is believed this decade will only show an increase of 18.94 per cent.

It is further pointed out that should this decrease in the birth rate keep up within 20 years the increase in this country will be only about that o European countries like England and Germany,-Journal American Medical Association.

SIBERIA'S BIG GOLD CROP

Large Quantities of It Smuggled O of the Country. In spite of the most stringent lius sian laws on the subject-the taking away of gold without government con sent-there is an enormous busine done all over Siberia in gold, both dust and, especially, nuggets stolen from the workings. It is a criminal offens to be found in possession of gold; but as so large a proportion of the popula tion of Siberia consists of thos there for punishment, and the only further punishment they have to fear is deportation to some yet more distant region of the same barren and joyles land, the deterrent is by no means

fails to escape the penalties of his of The Russian official, even in Russia proper, is seldom altogether unreason able; and in Siberia, where the preg "A good many New Orleans people nant saying of the dishonest "chinov will remember King and will be sur- nik." "It's a long way to Peter"-that ways be bought to accept unpleasan

sight seems to convey. Moreover, the

successful dealer in stolen gold rarely

responsibilities. A great part of the gold is conveyed across the river Amur, which is the smuggling from both sides and finds change for a certain flery Chinese vodka. The valuable properties of this spirit, much esteemed by Russian and native alike, are that it gives the customer the beatitude of intoxication one day, and on the next he can attain the same exalted state by the cheap expedient of drinking water. -Chambers' Journal

The Betrothal Ring.

The early history of the wedding ring is not easy to trace, as it was apt to be confused, with the betrothal ring. This was once the more important of the two, for in the days of ohr forefathers the betrothal was the great ceremony and marriage only the ratification of the contract. Then a spouse was a betrothed person, and to espouse was to be betrothed. The ceremony of espousal or betrothal was celebrated with all possible solemnity as the contract of a future "eternal bond of love." No doubt the reason for thus solemnizing an engagement was that in times of violence and lawlessness the church thought it needful to protect the woman and therefore made the betrothal so sacred that a violation of the contract was punished with excommunication. A betrothal service

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I wrote you last summer and you advised me to take Wine of Cardui and Black-Draught. I have taken three bottles of the Wine of Cardui and four packages of the Black-Draught, and I am glad to let you know that I am better ever since I took the first nine doses. When I first commenced taking your medicine I was in bed. I tried several doctors and they didn't do me any good, but now I can do all my work and not get tired. I think I have had all the troubles that could afflict a poor woman; my back hurt, as did my head and legs, and I had sick stomach every time I ate anything. Now I can eat anything and not hurt me and don't get tired. I think Mrs. CORA ROBINSON. this is the best medicine that was ever discovered.

And yet this case of Mrs. Robinson's is only one of thousands. Every day in the year Wine of Cardui accomplishes wonders for weak, suffering women, where doctors failed to bring any permanent relief. Doctors do the best they can, but Wine of Cardui is the one natural remedy for female diseases. It contains the vital elements necessary to strengthen and regulate the delicate menstrual organs. Hence it never fails to benefit—seldom fails to cure. With the convincing evidence in favor of this wonderful remedy, no suffering woman should hesitate to avail herself of it. That frightful backache, and those dreaded pains in the head and legs quickly vanish before the magic influence of Wine of Cardui. For advice in cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, The "LADIES" ADVISORY DEPARTMENT," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

ARCHER, Marshall Co., Tenn., Dec. 1, 1898 My wife has been sick four months. The doctors pronounced it nervous prostration. I got her a bottle of Wine of Cardui. She has taken five doses only and it has done her more good than all the medicine she has taken from the doctors.

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